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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1975

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE BUREAUS. IO, NEA AND PM DID NOT SUBMIT REPORTS. EUR IS TRANSMITTING THEIR REPORT IN SEPARATE BRIEFING MEMO CABLE.

AF - EDWARD W. MULCAHY, ACTING

HUMPHREY SUBCOMMITTEE - I TESTIFIED FOR NEARLY AN HOUR AND A HALF THIS MORNING BEFORE SENATORS HUMPHREY, JAVITS, CASE, CLARK, SPARKMAN, BIDEN AND MCGOVERN ON ANGOLA WHO WERE CONSIDERING A HOSTILE AMENDMENT TO AID BILL AIMED AT AT GETTING US OUT OF BUSINESS IN ANGOLA. I DEFENDED OUR POSITION AND HAD LITTLE TROUBLE WITH ANYONE EXCEPT CLARK, WHO IS INTRACTABLE ON THE SUBJECT. AT THE REQUEST OF JAVITS, CASE AND HUMPHREY WE ARE PREPARING A CLASSIFIED BACKGROUNDER ON ANGOLA FOR THEIR READING BEFORE TOMORROW'S CLOSED SESSION OF THE SENATE, AN ONEROUS PRODUCTION BUT
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ONE WE HOPE WILL HAVE A FAVORABLE EFFECT.

SCHAUFELE INTERVIEW - BILL SCHAUFELE PARTICIPATED IN A LIVE TELEPHONIC INTERVIEW FOR A ST. LOUIS RADIO STATION,

TAKING DIRECT QUESTIONS FROM THE RADIO AUDIENCE, ALL ON ANGOLA. WHEN HE GOT TO THE END, THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS ALL WANTED TO KNOW "WHY AREN'T WE DOING MORE IN ANGOLA?", INDICATING THAT WE HAVE SOME SOLID SUPPORT IN THE HEART-LAND.

MALAGASY AMBASSADOR - BILL SCHAUFEELE RECEIVED A FAREWELL CALL TODAY FROM MALAGASY AMBASSADOR RAHARIJAONA WHO IS BEING ASSIGNED TO PARIS.

TOMORROW - BILL AND I WILL BACKSTOP JOE SISCO IN THE MORNING BEFORE THE MAHON SUBCOMMITTEE (DEFENSE) OF THE HOUSE. I WILL BRIEF CONGRESSMEN BURTON AND SOLARZ ON ANGOLA AND BILL SCHAUFEELE WILL DINE WITH THE BELGIAN DCM.

L - MONROE LEIGH

.-I CONFERRED WITH ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL LEE AND LATER WITH CARL MAW REGARDING JUDGE PRATT'S PROTECTIVE ORDER COVERING THE LOCKHEED DOCUMENTS. WE WILL ASK JUSTICE TO SEEK AN AMENDMENT TO THE ORDER SO AS TO BUTTRESS OUR CONTENTION THAT THE DOCUMENTS ONCE PRODUCED BY LOCKHEED ARE COURT DOCUMENTS AND NOT SEC DOCUMENTS.

--I REVISED LETTER RESPONDING TO MR. DENT'S EXPANSIVE CLAIMS TO JURISDICTION TO NEGOTIATE ALL INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS INVOLVING TRADE QUESTIONS. HE IS RELYING ON THE LANGUAGE OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 WHICH MAY BE INVALID INsofar AS IT SEEKS TO RESTRICT THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE AS TO WHO WILL NEGOTIATE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS IN THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC FIELD. YOU MAY HAVE TO GO TO THE PRESIDENT TO GET THIS STRAIGHTENED OUT.

--ALDRICH CALLED ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL LEE TO REQUEST URGENT ASSISTANCE IN QUASHING SUBPONEAS ISSUED IN THE CZECH GOLD CASE. THESE SUBPOENAS WOULD REQUIRE TESTIMONY AND
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PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS BY MR. INGERSOLL AND FOUR OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS OF THE DEPARTMENT ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK. LEE SAID HE WOULD DO ALL HE COULD TO MEET OUR NEEDS.

--ALDRICH CHAIRED A STATE/DEFENSE/ACDA MEETING ON CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS TO REVIEW A DRAFT POSITION PAPER FOR THE FEBRUARY LUGANO CONFERENCE OF EXPERTS. DESPITE SEVERAL RELATIVELY MINOR POINTS OF DIFFERENCE, THERE IS GENERAL AGREEMENT ON OUR APPROACH TO THE CONFERENCE AND OUR BASIC POSITIONS. WE EXPECT THE DIFFERENCES CAN BE WORKED OUT IN THE COURSE OF THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS.

ARA - ROGERS

ARGENTINA -- WE FORMALLY INAUGURATED THE FOUR SPECIAL BILATERAL WORKING GROUPS WITH THE ARGENTINE AMBASSADOR. A FAIR SPRINKLING OF PRESS AND CAMERAS; LITTLE OF SUBSTANCE. BUT THE GROUPS MEET IN JANUARY AND WE MAY HAVE SOMETHING TO SHOW FOR IT IN THE TRADE FIELD, AT LEAST.

CHILE -- THE DCM CAME IN TO SAY GOOD-BYE. HE IS A PROFESSIONAL, FORCED TO RETURN TO SANTIAGO FOR FAMILY REASONS. HE INTENDS TO BURY HIMSELF IN SOME CORNER OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND STAY OUT OF THE POLITICAL STORMS RAGING AROUND CHILE'S FOREIGN RELATIONS.

PANAMA -- THE AP WAS IN. THEY ARE DOING A BIG SUNDAY SPREAD ON PANAMA. I TRIED TO MUTE THE CONFLICTS, AND SPREAD AN ATMOSPHERE OF REASON AND DELIBERATION. HOW LONG THAT WILL SURVIVE IN A YEAR DIVISIBLE BY FOUR IS ANOTHER QUESTION.

PANAMA AGAIN -- COUNSEL FOR THE PLAINTIFFS IN THE ATTACK ON THE DARIEN GAP ROAD CONSTRUCTION CAME BY, TO TALK SETTLEMENT. I TOLD THEM OUR FUNDAMENTAL INTEREST WAS IN RENEWING THE CONSTRUCTION IN PANAMA. FURTHER INCREASE IN UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE COUNTRY COULD HAVE AN EFFECT ON THE TREATY NEGOTIATING ATMOSPHERE.

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EA - PHILIP C. HABIB

I RETURNED TO THE OFFICE THIS MORNING FROM MY TRIP TO EAST ASIAN CAPITALS. I SPENT MOST OF THE DAY PICKING UP THE THREADS. I ALSO PREPARED FOR MY APPEARANCE WEDNESDAY BEFORE THE HAMILTON SUB-COMMITTEE CHINA HEARINGS. I WILL SPEAK FROM THE EXISTING RECORD AND WILL CONFINE MY REMARKS TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC STATEMENTS.

DISCUSSION WITH JAPANESE AMBASSADOR. AMBASSADOR YASUKAWA CAME IN TO CONVEY FOREIGN MINISTER MIYAZAWA'S APPRECIATION FOR OUR PRIVATE APPROACH TO THE ROKG POINTING OUT THE POLITICAL SENSITIVITY OF THE KIM DAE JUNG CASE IN THE U.S. AND JAPAN. I USED THE MEETING AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE HIM A BRIEF RUNDOWN ON MY TRIP.

BRIEFING OF SENATORS ON AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND. BOB MILLER AND THE AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND COUNTRY DIRECTOR BRIEFED A GROUP OF SENATORS AND SENATE STAFFERS ON OUR POLICY IN EAST ASIA AND SPECIFICALLY ON AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, IN PREPARATION FOR THE GROUP'S FORTHCOMING

TRIP TO THOSE TWO COUNTRIES. AMONG THOSE PRESENT WERE SENATORS HOLLINGS AND GRIFFIN, AS WELL AS STAFFERS FOR SENATORS BAKER AND CULVER. PAT HOLT WAS ALSO PRESENT FROM THE SFRC STAFF.

H - AMBASSADOR MCCLOSKEY

1. SECURITY ASSISTANCE - IN AN ABBREVIATED SESSION TODAY THE HIRC CUT TO \$5 MILLION THE PRESIDENT'S CONTINGENCY FUND FOR FY 1976. THE COMMITTEE ALSO PASSED A WOLFF AMENDMENT DISALLOWING OBLIGATION OF NARCOTICS CONTROL FUNDS UNTIL THE PRESIDENT CERTIFIES IN WRITING THAT THE ASSISTANCE IS SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF OPIATES ENTERING THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET. MARKUP CONTINUES TOMORROW WHEN WE EXPECT FINDLEY TO COUNTER THE FRASER KOREAN AMENDMENT WITH HIS OWN. THE FRASER AMENDMENT WOULD (1) ELIMINATE FURTHER SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO KOREA UNLESS WITHIN SIX MONTHS THE PRESIDENT PROVIDES THE CONGRESS WITH A PLAN FOR PHASED WITHDRAWAL OF US FORCES
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FROM KOREA AND (2) REQUIRE A "SIGNIFICANT" REDUCTION OF US FORCES BEGINNING IN FY 1977 WITH ALL SUCH FORCES WITHDRAWN WITHIN A "REASONABLE" TIME AFTER THE MODERNIZATION PLAN FOR ROK FORCES IS COMPLETED. THE FINDLEY AMENDMENT CALLS FOR A PRESIDENTIAL REPORT NOT LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF ENACTMENT WHICH: 1) REVIEWS THE PROGRESS MADE UNDER THE ROK'S ANNOUNCED PROGRAM TO MODERNIZE ITS ARMED FORCES; 2) DETAILS THE US ROLE IN MUTUAL SECURITY EFFORTS IN KOREA, AND 3) REPORTS ON PROSPECTS AND PLANS FOR PHASED REDUCTION OF US FORCES IN KOREA.

WHILE WE HAVE MAINTAINED OUR POSITION AGAINST ANY RESTRICTIONS ON ASSISTANCE TO KOREA, IT IS EVIDENT THAT SOME AMENDMENTS ARE LIKELY. IF PRESSED WE COULD LIVE WITH THE LESS RESTRICTIVE FINDLEY LANGUAGE.

2. CONFIRMATIONS - OUR PERSISTENT EFFORTS WITH THE SFRC HAVE PAID OFF WITH CONFIRMATION HEARINGS FOR BILL PORTER, TOM ENDERS AND SAM LEWIS NOW SCY7,PD8AE)>@;:!

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